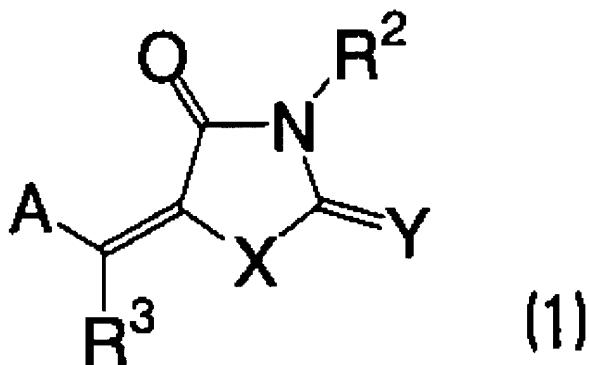


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A photosensitive composition containing:
 - (A) a sensitizing dye represented by the following formula (1):



wherein A represents an optionally substituted aromatic ring or heterocyclic ring; X represents an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, or $\text{N}(\text{R}^1)$; Y represents an oxygen atom or $\text{N}(\text{R}^1)$; $\text{N}(\text{R}^1)$; R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 each independently represents a hydrogen atom or a monovalent non-metallic atomic group; and A and R^1 , R^2 or R^3 may be bonded to each other to form an aliphatic or aromatic ring;

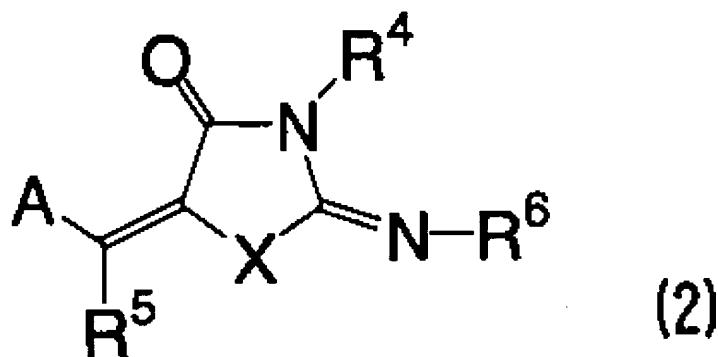
- (B) an initiator compound capable of generating a radical, an acid, or a base; and
- (C) a compound whose physical or chemical characteristic irreversibly changes by at least one of a radical, an acid, and a base,

wherein the initiator compound (B) is a hexaaryl biimidazole or a bisacyl phosphine.

2. (original): The photosensitive composition according to claim 1, further containing (D) a binder polymer.

3. (original): The photosensitive composition according to claim 1, further containing (E-1) a cosensitizer.

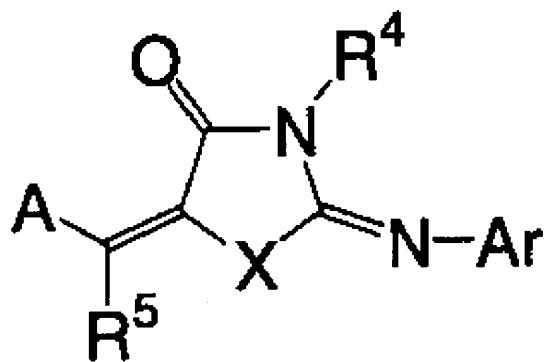
4. (currently amended): A compound represented by the following formula (2):



wherein A represents an optionally substituted aromatic ring or heterocyclic ring; X represents an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, or $\text{N}(\text{R}^1)$; R^1 , R^4 , and R^5 , and R^6 each independently represents a hydrogen atom or a monovalent non-metallic atomic group; R^6 is a substituted aryl group; and A and R^1 , R^4 , R^5 or R^6 may be bonded to each other to form an aliphatic or aromatic ring.

5. (currently amended): A photosensitive composition containing:

(A-1) a sensitizing dye represented by the following formula (3):



(3)

wherein A represents an optionally substituted aromatic ring or heterocyclic ring; X represents an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, or $-\text{N}(\text{R}^1)-$; R^1 , R^4 and R^5 each independently represents a hydrogen atom or a monovalent non-metallic atomic group; A and R^1 , R^4 or R^5 may be bonded to each other to form an aliphatic or aromatic ring; and Ar represents an aromatic ring or heterocyclic ring having a substituent group, providing that substituent having a total for Hamet's value of more than 0 is present on the Ar skeleton;

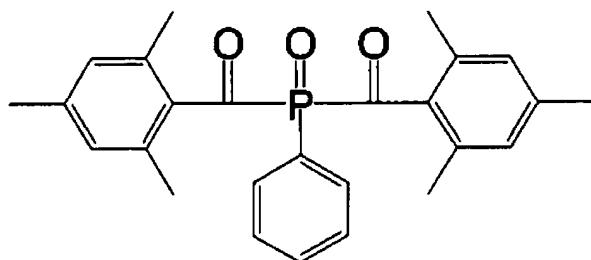
(B-1) a titaneocene compound hexaaryl biimidazole or a bisacyl phosphine; and

(C-1) an addition polymerizable compound capable of being reacted by at least one of a radical, an acid and a base.

6. (original): The photosensitive composition according to claim 5, further containing (D) a binder polymer.

7. (original): The photosensitive composition according to claim 5, further containing (E-1) a cosensitizer.

8. (new): The photosensitive composition according to claim 1, wherein the initiator compound is



(A-2)